## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

Blessed Cajuns, LLC, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

Case No. 4:21-cv-00677-O

v.

Isabella Casillas Guzman, et al.,

Defendants.

## PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL-CAPACITY DEFENDANTS' PARTIAL MOTION TO DISMISS FOR LACK OF SUBJECT-MATTER JURISDICTION

In light of the representations made in the defendants' motion to dismiss, the plaintiffs agree that the claims asserted by the "Funded Plaintiffs" have become moot. The plaintiffs also agree that the Lynds Inn plaintiffs can no longer seek declaratory or injunctive relief given that the appropriated money has been spent. The plaintiffs will prepare a third amended complaint limited to the parties alleging damages under *Bivens*, and we will either file it with the consent of the defendants or seek leave of court to do so.

Respectfully submitted.

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